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OF

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PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

During the past few months since we last met for an annual report of the affairs of the Association of Alumni of Sir George Williams University none of us, I feel certain, has remained unaware or unconcerned about the various struggles for recognition by groups on the local or national scene. Each group clamours to achieve some advantage for itself or its members. It is a refreshing change, therefore, to be called upon to report on the activities of a group which is striving more and more to be of service; to give more of itself and from itself to the advantage of someone else.

During the past year your Association, under the leadership of its Board of Directors, has endeavoured to lend more and more effective assistance to our Alma Mater - Sir George. The public campaign for some $7,000,000 to help construct the Henry F. Hall Building became a reality and I am proud to state that your Association has undertaken to raise a substantial amount, our goal is $150,000 over a 5 year period, towards the total cost of this magnificent addition to the physical facilities of our University. Of course this is not the first undertaking by our Association to raise funds of a capital nature for Sir George but certainly it is the most ambitious and significant. Realization of our goal is possible but certainly not without a serious effort on the part of many alumni and generosity of us all.

The most encouraging result of this undertaking, apart from the important monetary aspect, is that some 400 members are actively involved in the campaign. I take this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Ted Lande, the Chairman for organizing such a large working force. Not only will the monetary results be of value to Sir George but our Association should also reap benefits for years to come in its continuous efforts to be of service to our University.

Naturally, the Association of Alumni was pleased at the announcement

that the new building will be known as the Henry F. Hall Building and that the present University building on Drummond Street will be known as the Kenneth E. Norris Building.

The detailed reports of the various ways in which your Association has participated in the Sir George education community can be found in the printed annual report. On your behalf, I wish to extend a hearty vote of thanks to Morrie Gold, Chairman of the K. E. Norris Memorial Lectures, for an outstanding series under Dr. Otto Klineberg. The series was expanded from 1 to 3 nights and was extremely well attended by members of the Sir George family.

Our sincere thanks are certainly overdue to Stan Asher, Editor of Postgrad, who has continued to improve the publication under less than ideal conditions. The Executive Committee and the Board are actively concerned in improving the publication. All of us appreciate, without a doubt, the column from the Executive Director's office.

I hopefully and happily report that there is a growing awareness among our membership that the Association of Alumni must undertake an increasingly more effective role in the University's affairs. While we are most grateful to the Provincial Government and other agencies for their generous financial support to Sir George, we must strive continuously to maintain for our Alma Mater a full measure of freedom to choose its curriculum and apply its philosophy to its serious task of education. We, the graduates, know the advantages that accrue from such an unfettered institution of higher learning and we must not be appathetic in the face of any force which tends to lessen or disrupt these freedoms now enjoyed by Sir George.

On your behalf, I wish to thank the members of the Board of Directors who have actively served our Association throughout the past year. For some the Constitutional limitations will end a number of years of service in this capacity and it is our sincere hope that they will continue to support our work by active participation on standing and special committees in the days ahead.

Also on your behalf I wish to thank the Board of Governors, the Principal, his staff and faculty for the cordial and friendly manner in which they have helped us in our efforts to be of service. Finally, we are all grateful to our Executive Director, John Ferguson, for the constantly cheerful and optimistic manner in which he has carried out the responsibilities of his office. The door to his office is always open to graduates, undergraduate, faculty and staff.

If you and I are courageous enough to admit, and remember, that Sir George Williams University was our "door to opportunity" then our Association of Alumni will be successful in attaining important goals in the days ahead. I wish for each Alumni member an increasing measure of courage.

N. J. Grycan,
President

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF ALUMNI:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

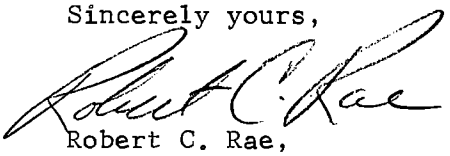
Once again I am grateful for this opportunity to extend the greetings of the University to all members of the Association of Alumni. The many fine services of the Association during the 1963-64 academic year have been deeply appreciated and congratulations are offered for the able and efficient manner in which all events have been conducted.

There have been many important happenings at Sir George during this academic year which actually draws to a close with the Spring Convocation at Place des Arts. Foremost of these, with regard to public attention, has been the commencement of construction work for the Henry F. Hall Building of Burnside Street and the launching of the Sir George Williams University Building Fund Campaign. However, we have been making major gains in our academic work as well with the addition of many more competent members to the faculty, the extension of our curricular programme and the announcement of our plans for graduate work, extension of research activity and the eventual establishment of institutes of advanced study.

Once again I take pleasure, on behalf of the University, in thanking the Association of Alumni for its fine achievements and excellent support during the past year. We are grateful to your President, Mr. Nick Grycan, his officers and the Executive Director, John Ferguson, for fine leadership and effective work. We all watch with great interest and appreciation the wonderful efforts of the Association in taking a major role in the Building Fund Campaign under the able direction of Ted Lande and his many fine campaign leaders.

To all members of the Association of Alumni I offer my best wishes for success and satisfaction in your endeavours and good health and happiness to you and your families.

Sincerely yours,



Robert C. Rae,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor

June 11, 1964.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (1963-64)

The opening event of the year was the 1st, to our knowledge, Fashion Show presented by the Alumni Association. The purpose was to draw graduates together and to raise some money for the Association. In both cases, we were reasonably successful with an attendance of over 300. Mrs. Ruth Tunis, and her committee are to be commended for a well organized and successful affair.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP BANQUET:

On Wednesday, May 15th, 1963, the Association held its 2nd Honorary Life Membership Banquet. There were over 150 in attendance and Honorary Life Memberships were granted to John Burr Frosst, Ph.G.; J. Harmon Andrews, M.M.; Professor Douglass Burns Clarke, M.A.; Dr. J. W. Bridges, Professor Emeritus, and Lt. Col. S. C. Holland, C.D.

Space does not permit the background story of these five gentlemen, but it can be found in the Spring '63 issue of the "Postgrad".

ANNUAL MEETING:

The Annual meeting was held in the Windsor Hotel on May 15th, immediately following the Honorary Life Membership Banquet. At this meeting it was agreed that the fiscal year of the Association would be June 1st to May 31st, giving us this year, a 14 month reporting period.

LIBRARY CAMPAIGN:

The balance of all monies collected by the Association for the Library campaign was turned over to the University early in the year. An additional $500.00 was granted to the University towards the purchase of a rare set of early Canadian Maps, a collection which adds greatly to the University's collection of Canadiana, and will be of benefit to scholars and faculty for years to come.

GRAD RECEPTIONS:

Following well established tradition, the Association sponsored the Spring & Fall Graduate Receptions--this year two Spring Receptions, because of the change of the fiscal year date. For the first time, the Fall Reception was held at the Windsor Hotel with over 700 people in attendance, probably one of the biggest, if not best, Fall Receptions to date. Total attendance at all Receptions was about 6900.

K. E. NORRIS MEMORIAL LECTURES:

The third Annual K. E. Norris Memorial Lecture series was held on February 3rd, 4th and 5th at the Salvation Army Citadel on Drummond Street. The Speaker was Dr. Otto Klineberg, B.A., M.A., M.D., Ph.D.; Professor of Social Psychology, University of Paris, Sorbonne; Professor Emeritus, Columbia University.

Dr. Klineberg is the author of many books and publications among which are "Race Differences", 1935; "Social Psychology", 1940 & 1954; "Tensions Affecting International Understanding", 1950, and "Race and Psychology, UNESCO", 1951.

His topic was "The Human Factor in International Relations". Attendance was very good with an average of 700 each evening.

The University Community is grateful to Mr. Maurice Gold, Chairman of the series and his committee for a job very well done.

CHAPTERS:

Mr. Henry Verdier was again elected President of the Alumni Chapter of the Ottawa Valley at their Annual meeting which was held recently.

It looks as if the Garnet Key Chapter will be the next to be chartered. Their constitution was approved at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors.

It is hoped that the Present Financial Campaign for the University will spark further chapter development in other areas.

FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN:

The Alumni division of the Sir George Williams University Building Fund is headed by Ted D. Lande. His Associates are: Jean desRosiers; Charles Nichols; John R. Hannan; Ernest Brown and R. G. Thompson.

At this writing we have received $20,119.00 from 181 graduates. Our objective is $150.000.00 over a five year period. As far as possible we are attempting a face-to-face campaign. Others have been contacted by direct mail. At the moment all other graduates we know of throughout the world have received a personal letter from Dr. H. F. Hall.

ART SALE:

Plans are that an Art Sale to raise money to add to the Art Collection of the University will be held sometime in the Fall. Mrs. Henry G. Worrell is now at work with her Committee towards that end.

In closing, I would like to express my appreciation to the members of the Board of Directors for their continued support; to the Faculty & Staff of the University, to the Press and to all the members and friends of the Association who have supported us throughout the past year. A special vote of thanks to Mrs. Carolyn Kuhn, our office Secretary, who, unfortunately will be leaving us soon and a welcome to Miss Sue Jacobs who will be replacing her. To both our sincere best wishes.

Respectfully submitted,

John Ferguson

J. M. Ferguson,
Executive Director

STATISTICS -

	No. of Meetings	Average Attendance	Total
Board of Directors	12	16	175
Executive Committee	11	7	77
Graduate Receptions	3		6900
Grad Class Executive Supper	1		15
K. E. Norris Memorial Lecture Series	3		2000
Reception following K. E. Norris Lectures	1		100
Press Conference re Campaign	2		35
Student Loan Committee	2	5	10
Nominating Committee	1	7	7
Annual Meeting (Including Guests)	1		150
Honorary Life Membership Banquet	1		150
Reception Honorary Life Membership Banquet	1		45
Fashion Show	1		320
Attendance at Student Leaders Conference		(3 members)	
Campaign Committee Meetings	19	15	285
Other (Students, Administration, Etc.)	21	4	78

The above are only the recorded figures. Many groups and committees met during the year without recording their attendance.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

President	N. J. Grycan
1st Vice President	J. G. Bradley
2nd Vice President	R. G. Thompson
Secretary	J. R. Hannan
Treasurer	L. Nachshen
Past President	G. B. Miller

MEMBERS:

E. Brown	M. Saunders - resigned Jan. 1964
G. Dumesnil	F. Stannard
M. Gold	Mrs. Ruth Tunis
Hon. Wm. Hamilton - resigned Fall 1963	G. L. Wood
R. C. Jonas	M. C. Zwaig
W. Kerr - resigned Fall 1963	Howard Ripstein - from Jan. 8, 1964
L. W. Melia	R. Gariepy - from Jan. 8, 1964
M. Moravec - resigned Summer 1963	T. O. Hecht - from Jan. 8, 1964
R. Picard	R. Bannerman

Grad Class Representative	Terry Kelaher
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Fashion Show Committee Chairman	Mrs. Ruth Tunis
Art Sale Committee Chairman	Mrs. H. G. Worrell
Nominating Committee Chairman	G. B. Miller
Citations and Awards Committee Chairman	C. Brown

Building Fund Campaign Chairman	T. D. Lande
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Representatives to the Athletic Council	M. Saunders (Resigned) L. Nachshen Edward Heft
Grad Reception Committee Chairman	R. Gariepy
Student Loan Committee Chairman	G. Mullen
K. E. Norris Memorial Lecture Series	M. Gold
Postgrad - Finance	M. C. Zwaig